List of Current Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1 - 9 (Cancelled).

10. (Currently Amended) A method for operating a field device, which is connected by way of a data bus with a control system, by means of a graphical user interface (GUI) and a device description file for the field device, comprising the steps of:

loading the device description file having two components, a data component and a presentation component, together dynamically at run time into a browser[[.]]; and changing a parameter described in the data component by a direct input on the graphical user interface.

- 11. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein: the data component is an XML-file and the presentation component is an XSL-file.
 - 12. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein: the run time environment is a Microsoft platform.
- 13. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein: the data component contains parameter names, [[event-]] <u>event</u> and alarm-texts <u>alarm texts</u>, <u>as</u> coded additional information[[,]] <u>etc</u>.
- 14. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein: the presentation component contains information for visualizing and explaining the process component of concern.
 - 15. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, further

comprising the step of: providing dynamic, relevant links on the GUI for invoking an online/offline help.

- 16. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein: the operation includes start-up, maintenance, simulation, data protection, problem removal and device documentation.
- 17. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, further comprising the step of:

using the Internet Explorer of Microsoft® as the browser.

18. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, further comprising using the Netscape Navigator of Netscape as the browser.